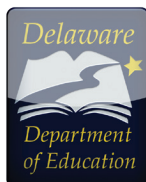


FAQs



What does accelerated learning mean?

- There is no doubt the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted students' experiences this school year. Even so, teachers, school leaders, and school support staff continue to provide students with opportunities to learn while also caring for students' physical, social, and emotional needs.
- The Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) is dedicated to providing summer resources to support learning acceleration for students in literacy and mathematics.
- The aim of accelerated learning is to give students more opportunities to access grade-level content and help them make up for unfinished learning so that they are prepared for their new grade in the fall.

Who can take advantage of the program?

- All Delaware families with rising first- to eighth-grade students will have an opportunity to engage with the math program; the online access to eBooks and high-dosage tutoring will be available to students at all grade levels.

What types of programs will be available?

- High-quality instructional materials:
 - Zearn Math access for every rising first through eighth grader.
 - Professional learning and access to Summer Booster Literacy content for educators of rising first through sixth graders.
- High-dosage tutoring: Frequent, consistent, data-driven tutoring delivered by trained tutors in a one-on-one or small-group setting, focusing on the students who need the most support, as identified by their schools.
- Access to online texts: DDOE will also provide every student access to roughly 3 million e-books (SORA) and the Delaware public library collection.

When does this start?

- Your district/charter will register students. Online program access will start on or near June 1, 2021. Schools will provide you with specific instructions for logging in to the online programs. Schools will communicate with families regarding summer school options.

Will this cost our family anything?

- This program is free of charge for all Delaware families.
- Funding for this program is from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act.

FAQs Continued

What schools are participating?

- At this point, all 19 districts have committed to some portions of the program, as well as 21 of 23 charter schools.

How much of a time commitment will it be?

- Students are encouraged to read 15-20 minutes a day, using the library collections provided or any other books or reading material of their choosing.
- Students are encouraged to spend 30 minutes a day on Zearn Math.

Do we have to log in at certain times?

- The programs are completely asynchronous, meaning your student can log in at any time, from anywhere they have internet access.
- If students are participating in high-dosage tutoring, this schedule will be arranged with your school or community-based organization. Students may also access resources through summer school programming.

Will my student's teacher be assisting us with this program?

Will they be able to access the results of my student's efforts this summer?

- Districts/charters will be able to recognize how many books students read through the SORA digital libraries, and they can see student progress through the Zearn program.

Will this program be aligned with the current curriculum?

- These are strong, high-quality resources designed to be used alongside or in conjunction with a district's or charter's core curriculum.

What if we do not have access to a computer or the internet?

- We also are partnering with community organizations, helping them provide technology and internet access to students at their sites.
A list of these locations will be available under Resources on the Summer Acceleration tab at <https://education.delaware.gov/digital-de/>.

Where can I go for more information?

- For more information, visit Digital DE on the Delaware Department of Education's website: <https://education.delaware.gov/digital-de/>. Click on the Summer Acceleration tab.

